## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF NEVADA

United States of America,

Plaintiff

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Brian Keith Wright,

Defendant

Case No.: 2:17-cr-00142-JAD-VCF

**Order Denying Motion** 

[ECF No. 233]

Brian Wright was found guilty of assault on a federal officer in 2019, and the Ninth Circuit affirmed his conviction.<sup>2</sup> Wright sought habeas relief under 28 U.S.C. § 2255 in 11 February 2022. Because his motion contained no legal argument for modification or vacatur 12 of his sentence and the record conclusively established that he is not entitled to the relief he 13 seeks, I denied his motion without directing a response from the government.<sup>4</sup> Six months 14 later, Wright filed a "motion requesting this court to grant 2255 due to the government's 15 consent" in the assault case, arguing that "the government conceded to the facts within [his] 16 2255 due to its 8 months of complete silence." I denied that motion too, explaining that I did not direct the government to respond because Wright's habeas petition was plainly meritless.<sup>6</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> ECF No. 172. 19

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> ECF No. 221.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> ECF No. 223.

<sup>21</sup> <sup>4</sup> ECF No. 228.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> ECF No. 230. 22

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> ECF No. 232. Wright has appealed this order to the Ninth Circuit. ECF No. 234. On December 14, 2022, the Ninth Circuit issued an order stating that "all subsequent filings [in the appeal] will be stayed pending the district court's determination on the certificate of appealability." ECF No. 235; see also United States v. Wright, Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals

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1	On October 21, 2022, Wright filed a "motion requesting district court to adhere to
2	F.R.A.P and notice of denial of access to the court." In it, he claims that he filed the same
3	§ 2255 motion in three of his federal criminal cases but that it did not hit the docket in two of
4	those three cases. <sup>8</sup> He blames the government, the Clerk of Court, and the prison in which he is
5	incarcerated for his predicament. <sup>9</sup>
6	But Wright's habeas motion was <u>filed only in this case</u> because he included only this case
7	number in the motion's heading: <sup>10</sup>
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12	Brian K. Wright Br:
13	V. Motion to Vacate, Set aside.
14	United States of America or correct a Sentence
15	Respondent Motion under 28 U.S.C. 2255
	If Wright wishes to challenge his various convictions, he must file a separate habeas petition in
	each case. As Wright has been previously warned, "any motions [that] he files need to have the
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20	Case No. 22-16912. I find that Wright does not meet the lenient standard to grant a certificate of
21	appealability for his habeas motion or his "motion requesting this court to grant 2255 due to the government's consent," so I deny him one.
21	<sup>7</sup> ECF No. 233.
22	<sup>8</sup> <i>Id.</i> at 2.
23	<sup>9</sup> <i>Id.</i> at 2–3.
	<sup>10</sup> ECF No. 223.

correct case number in the caption so they can be properly filed."11 It is Wright's responsibility—not the court's or the government's—to properly label his motions and ensure that they end up in the correct case. More importantly, Wright's habeas petition was filed in this case and has been denied. Because Wright's motion fails to seek any relief in this case that this 4 5 court can grant, I deny it. Conclusion 6 IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Brian Wright's motion "requesting district court 7 8 to adhere to FRAP" [ECF No. 233] is DENIED. 9 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a certificate of appealability for this court's previous orders denying Wright's § 2255 motion [ECF No. 223] and his motion "requesting this court to grant 2255 due to government's consent" [ECF No. 232] is DENIED. The Clerk of 12 Court is directed to SEND a copy of this order to the Clerk of Court for the United States **Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit.** 14 U.S. District Judge Jennif 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 <sup>11</sup> See ECF No. 141 (minutes of proceedings).